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INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS IMMEDIATE
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FOR SCA/SCS, FAA, EUR/WE

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CASC, PINS, EAIR, SP
SUBJECT: PANAM/KLM 747 AIRCRAFT COLLISION

REF: MADRID 2289

1. THE PRESS REPORTS THAT THE CAUSE OF THE CLOSING OF GONDO AIRPORT IN LAS PALMAS THAT LED TO THE DIVERSION OF THE PANAM AND KLM FLIGHTS TO TENENRIFE WAS A TERRORIST BOMB WHICH EXPLODED IN THE FLORIST SHOP OF THE GONDO AIRPORT BUILDING. THE LEADER OF THE ALGIERS-BASED MPAIAC (THE SELF-STYLED CANARIES INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT), ANGEL CUBILLO HAS REPORTEDLY CLAIMED CREDIT IN ALGIERS THAT THE MPAIAC PLACED THE BOMB IN GONDO AIRPORT.

2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THESE PRESS REPORTS ARE ACCURATE, BUT ARE SEEKING FINAL CONFIRMATION FROM GOS AUTHORITIES. IF SO, THE TERRORIST BOMB WAS THE FIRST LINE IN THE CHAIN
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OF EVENTS THAT LED TO THIS TRAGEDY.

3. AFP GIVES FURTHER INFORMATION SAYING THAT A WARNING WAS TELEPHONED AT 1:00 PM TO THE AIRPORT AND THE HOMEMADE BOMB WENT OFF AT 1:15 PM INJURING FOUR PEOPLE. CUBILLO IS QUOTED NOW AS SAYING THAT THE TENENERIFE ACCIDENT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE AUTHORITIES

AT LAS PALMAS WHO WERE HIDING FROM TOURISTS THE VERY
FACT THAT "WE ARE AT WAR".EATON

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Message Attributes

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